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VIA ECF AND EMAIL

The Honorable Gregory H. Woods United States District Judge Southern District of New York 500 Pearl Street MEMORANDUM ENDORSED New York, NY 10007 WoodsNYSDChambers@nysd.uscourts.gov

> RE: *United States v. Santos (Joan Mercedes)*, 22-cr-522 (GHW)

Dear Judge Woods:

On Monday, Your Honor modified the conditions of Joan Mercedes' pretrial release. Mr. Mercedes had been on home incarceration, and Your Honor approved revising that condition to home detention.

Today, Mr. Mercedes respectfully requests that he be permitted to attend a family Thanksgiving dinner at the home of his aunt, his mother's sister, in the Bronx, on Thursday, November 23 from 5PM to 8PM. Mr. Mercedes would travel to his aunt's and he would return home without any detours. Mr. Mercedes would provide Pretrial Services (PTS) with his aunt's address and contact information. As a matter of policy, PTS opposes requests to attend social functions, but that said PTS reports that Mr. Mercedes has been compliant with the terms of his release. The government defers to Pretrial Services. Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

Application denied. Unfortunately, the Court received this application too late to be able to act

Jill R. Shellowon it before the holiday. Counsel may wish to

consider submitting such applications prior to the day immediately preceding a holiday in the

future.

The Clerk of Court is directed to terminate the motion pending at Dkt. No. 256. Pretrial Officer Francesca Piperato (by email)

SO ORDERED.

Dated: November 24, 2023

GREGORY H. WOODS United States District Judge

Joan Mercedes (by email)

AUSA Andrew Jones (by ECF and email)

AUSA Ashley Nicholas (by ECF and email)

Admitted: NY, CT, DC

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